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THE ISSUE.

A sheet called "THE WHITE MAN," has been issued and circulated by enemies of the Amendment, in which an attempt is made to show that the negro is at least the equal of the white man. We do not propose to discuss whether a negro is as good as a white man. No true white man will discuss this question with the negro or his white allies. The white man who asserts by word or action that the negro is the equal of the white man is beneath the contempt of his race.

We give on this sheet some of the insults to white men and white women and threats of lawlessness and violence made by the negro and his white allies.

JUDGE ADAMS'

POLITICAL SPEECH IN CHARGE TO GRAND JURY OF COLUMBUS COUNTY.

(Columbus News.)

His Honor Judge Spencer B. Adams arrived on the morning train from the South. His Honor's charge to the jury, we will do him the justice to say, was the best (being the only) political speech we ever heard delivered from the bench. We have been reporting court proceedings here for about six years and in that time a number of judges have been here whose political affiliations differed from ours, but we have had no occasion to refer to any of them in uncomplimentary terms. We regret the necessity of doing so now.

He reached the climax of his charge when he came to discuss fornication and adultery. He said that "nine times out of ten, if you will chase down the fellows who are going about trying to stir up race prejudice you will find them sleeping with a negro woman." When we consider that numbers of as good people as there are in the State are "going about stirring up race prejudice," as he would doubtless call it, his statement becomes a most sweeping villification, and one which cannot be properly characterized in temperate language.

And he said this with a kind of a "remember the Maine" expression on his

countenance which seemed to indicate his regret that there was not a law by which Democratic speakers and papers could be stopped from telling the people of the foothold which negro supremacy had obtained under the present administration.

And this was not all. Proceeding to the question of rape, he argued to the jury that it was a lesser offense than seduction, because the only difference was, he said, that one was committed by force and the other by fraud. It required some courage for the former. He illustrated his position by saying he had rather his purse be stolen by a highwayman than by deception. We may not be surprised that assaults upon white women by brutes—the lowest crimes in the eyes of the law as well as of men, to which it is possible to descend—are so alarmingly on the increase, when a judge on the bench attempts to minimize its heinousness and argues to a grand jury that it is less a crime than one for which the most extreme penalty is a term in the penitentiary.

THE NEGRO MANLY

WHAT HE SAID.

"We suggest that the white guard their women more closely, as Mrs. Felton says: thus giving no opportunity for the human fiend, be he white or black. You leave your goods out of doors and then complain because they are taken away. Poor white men are careless in the manner of protecting their women, especially on farms. They are careless of their conduct toward them, and our experience among poor white people in the country teaches us that the women of that race are not any more particular in the manner of clandestine meetings with colored men than are the white men with colored women. Meetings of this kind go on for some time, until the woman's infatuation or the man's boldness brings attention to them and the man is lynched for rape. Every negro lynched is called a "big, burly, black brute," when in fact many of those who have thus been dealt with had white men for their fathers, and were not only "black" and "burly" but were sufficiently attractive for white girls of culture and refinement to fall in love with them, as is well known to all."

Negro Manly in his paper, The Record.

Are you surprised that the white men of Wilmington drove him from their city?

"NEGROES WILL GET AT THE THROATS OF THE WHITE MEN."

The latest outbreak comes from a negro editor, T. Thomas Fortune, and one W. O. Murphy, presumably a negro also. These two negroes were the chief orators at a negro meeting held in Brooklyn last Sunday to celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of John Brown.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Society of the Sons of North Carolina, which is composed of colored men who have gone from this State to live in New York.

Here are a few extracts from Fortune's speech on the halcyon occasion, as reported by the New York Sun:

"It cost tons of blood to put the fifteenth amendment into the Constitution; and it will cost tens of tons to put it out. You must organize and keep your powder dry in order to demand an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth in the great crisis which will soon be upon the negro, in which much blood may be spilled. The first gun of the fight was fired at the Montgomery conference.

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"If the negro wants his rights in the South, he must fight for them, or he must leave the South. I have formerly opposed Bishop Turner in his appeal to the negroes to leave the South, but I shall myself start a crusade to have all the negroes to leave the South and come North, or go elsewhere, where they can be men.

"There is no use living in the South and crying peace, peace, when there is no peace. I believe in law and order, but when the law does not protect you, you should fight and die, if need be. You should demand an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. The negro will never command respect until he shall strike a blow that will win for himself the respect of the world, for even God has no respect for a coward. The negro should be brave and follow his leaders, whether they lead to Calvary or to a scaffold in West Virginia. There is coming a great crisis for the negro, and the first gun was fired at Montgomery, Ala., when it was proposed that the fifteenth amendment to the Constitution should be repealed. But there can be no settling of the negro problem with the negro out of it, it matters not how many conferences of white men are held.

"There is now 10,000,000 of us, with 2,000,000 fighting men, and in some great crisis in this country these 2,000,000 negroes will get at the throats of the white men who have wronged and outraged their citizenship."

The Washington Post, commenting upon this remarkable meeting, has this to say of Fortune and his pestiferous drivel:

He is well educated, a good and forcible writer, and, under ordinary circumstances, a very sensible and well-meaning person. We wonder whether he realizes that, in this frantic outburst, he has illustrated the most pessimistic estimate of the negro character—the proposition, for example, that no amount of scholastic training or contact with Caucasian civilization will ever eradicate the savage instincts of his race.

In recent speech in Brooklyn, N. Y., a negro, W. O. Murphy, in referring to the campaign in this State, uses the following incendiary language:

"The negro has always been a peaceful man and has only fought when the issue was forced upon him. The trouble is that the negro was born in poverty and has not been able to secure the arms to resist the invasion of his home and his rights, but the negro should study, so as to learn how to manufacture dynamite, so that when he is attacked he can resist his oppressors, as the Russians and Germans have done."

Such utterances should be a warning to the white people of North Carolina. Such harangues to ignorant and excitable crowds will bear fruit. And that fruit can be but a reenactment of the Wilmington riot. The army of invasion suggested will not be raised, dynamite may not be used, but the negro will become more and more insolvent as a citizen and dangerous as a member of society, and the ultimate result will be bloodshed on both sides unless something is done to check his growing insolence, born of the idea that he is the equal in every respect of the white man.

ADAMS AS A NEGRO LEADER

THE WOULD-BE GOVERNOR'S PAST RECORD A MIGHTY MOTLEY ONE.

As to how the Republican nominee for Governor stands on the relations of the white man and the negro, the Caswell Democrat, published at Adams' home, gives some facts which tell a disgusting story. Here is the record of the man:

Judge Adams said in a speech in 1890 when he was candidate for clerk, that white men of Caswell were so mean, unscrupulous and dirty that vultures had gotten the scent and ceased to soar, and the man in the moon puked on every gleaming star that shone upon the befouled beds of rotten degrading white men of Caswell. Again in 1894, when he and his nigger luck were in all their glory, he went to the polls and exclaimed as follows: 'All you white people come and see me vote for negroes.' And this he did, and at that election a negro was elected to the Legislature to represent this good old county.

To which Webster's Weekly, a near neighbor to Adams, adds the following:

"There can be no question as to Judge Adams' attitude toward the negroes while he lived in Caswell. He was their recognized leader, taught, drilled and organized them, so that they were able to elect one of their own race to represent the proud counties of Graves and Yancey in their Legislature. He waxed fat by teaching the negroes that their neighbors were their political enemies. He taught them that the white people, who furnished them work and provided them schools, could not be trusted in political matters."

ADAMS DEGRADED HIMSELF.**MADE ANOTHER SPEECH LIKE HIS CHARGE
TO THE GRAND JURY IN COLUMBUS.**

[Chatham Record.]

The main feature of this black and tan Republican County Convention was the speech of ex-Judge Spencer B. Adams, and it seems almost incredible that a man, who had ever been elected a judge even by Fusionists, could have so far degraded himself by making a speech so full of falsehoods and misrepresentations. Among other false statements made by him was the deliberate assertion that the Democratic party in North Carolina would not allow a white man, who did not own land, to vote for Senators until after the war, and that then the Republican party gave them that right!

Judge Adams either did or did not know this statement to be false. If he did not know it to be false, then he ought never to make another speech, for any man so ignorant as that should never attempt to teach other people. And if he did know it to be false, he ought to be too ashamed to show his face again in public!

The fact is (as every intelligent man knows), that the Democratic party was the advocate of "free suffrage" and in 1854 carried this State on that issue, electing David S. Reid Governor over his Whig opponent, Gov. Charles Manly.

Judge Adams thought it necessary to state that he is no office-seeker, and "wants no office." But he did not state (as is the truth) that he has been holding office nearly ever since he was old enough and is now holding an office that pays more in proportion to the work required than any office in this State!

**INCENDIARY ADVICE TO
NEGROES.**

The Washington Bee (Afro-American) fears that when the negroes of North Carolina go to the polls to vote upon the proposed amendment, "the whites will combine, and by force of arms and their bloody and dastardly methods prevent negroes from voting," and it gives the North Carolina negroes the following counsel:

"Force is to be detested when exercised in a contest where conscience, patriotism, and eloquence should be the controlling forces. Yet the sense of manly independence and self-preservation dictates that brute force be met by a like force when other forces become useless. God forbid that the tragic scenes about Wilmington be re-enacted this year, but should such be attempted, manliness, justice and self-respect demand that the negroes shall defend their helpless sisters, wives and daughters against unholy slaughter by gangs of bloodthirsty and heartless brutes.

"We trust that the thinking class of whites in North Carolina will not be led into schemes of gross injustice and crime

by unprincipled and designing demagogues and grasping politicians.

"Above all, it is the duty of all intelligent and manly colored people to watch and be prepared for the worst and not fall with their backs toward the enemy."

From such advice as this grows riot and bloodshed. Men who give such advice are the negroes' worst enemy.

One thing is certain: This State is going to be ruled by its white citizenship and those who set themselves up to give advice to the negro would do well to recognize that fact.

**PRITCHARD'S ASHEVILLE
ORGAN****IMITATES THE NEGRO MANLY, AND TRA-
DUCES WHITE MEN IN SAYING.**

[Asheville Register (Republican)].

"But why does the desire to eliminate ignorance extend only to the negro? If ignorance is a constant menace to the State, certainly it ought to be wholly eradicated and not stop at the least offensive part. The ignorance which disturbs the peace in this State is found among the whites in the Democratic party, and not among the negroes. If the negro is unfit for the ballot by reason of his lack of learning, certainly the white man who is equally as ignorant is also unfit for the ballot. No amount of sophistry can destroy the force of this argument."

SENATOR BUTLER**IN HIS SPEECH AT ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.,
OCTOBER 15, 1899.**

"If colored men commit outrages the Democrats pretend to be terribly shocked in public, but when they get behind a wall they laugh until they grow fat, and if the outrages are not frequent enough they hire worthless negroes to commit them."

The men who certified that Butler made this statement in his Rocky Mount speech are:

Rev. B. S. McKenzie, Dr. F. J. Thorpe, J. P. Daughtry, R. H. Ricks, F. M. Draughan, Isaac Levy, Rev. A. D. Betts.

EXTRACT FROM CAUCASIAN.**SENATOR BUTLER IN CAUCASIAN, SEPTEMBER 30, 1897.**

"The awful crime of rape, the condemnation of which should be prompted by sincere motives and honest purposes is used in a hypocritical manner * * * for base partisan ends, and all the time they are condemning the nature of the crime, they are secretly longing for more rapes, that they may better play upon the prejudices of the people."

LINNEY AND WHITE.

REPUBLICAN CONGRESSMAN LINNEY, WHEN
ASKED A QUESTION IN CONGRESS,
YIELDS THE FLOOR TO NEGRO
CONGRESSMAN GEO. H.
WHITE, WHO SAID:

"I have investigated the facts in regard to these lynchings for the last two and a half years, and I say that less than seventy-five per cent. of the lynchings which have occurred in the United States were chargeable to the cause stated: and if there were not outrages and assaults committed, not upon white women by black men, but by white men upon black women, these lynchings would be less than they are now."

White is the type of the negro officeholders elevated by the Re-pop-li-cans. Is it any wonder that the white people are determined to end negro officeholding in North Carolina?

CHAIRMAN HOLTON

WANTS FEDERAL AID.

[Washington (D. C.) Correspondent of Atlanta Journal.]

"Republican State Chairman A. E. Holton, of North Carolina, is in the city to discuss with the administration officials the proposed franchise amendment in that State.

"This is the liveliest local State issue in the United States to-day, and party leaders on both sides are taking a keen interest in the fight. Chairman Holton will talk the matter over with Senator Hanna and President McKinley to-day, and will intimate, it is said, that Federal troops will be necessary when the vote is taken. He will also urge prominent Republicans to go to North Carolina and take part in the campaign.

"The chairman is charging fraud, intimidation, desperation, lawlessness and many other things against the Democrats in general and Chairman Simmons in particular, and declares that riot and bloodshed will inevitably result, as the negroes are determined to fight for and demand their rights."

GEORGE H. WHITE,

IN HIS SPEECH BEFORE THE REPUBLICAN
CONVENTION OF 1898, SAID:

"I am not the only negro who holds office. There are others. There are plenty more being made to order to hold offices. We don't hold as many as we will.

"The Democrats talk about the color line and the negro holding office. I INVITE THE ISSUE."

These were the words of Geo. H. White, Republican member of Congress from the Second District, the only negro member of Congress in the United States. He was addressing the 1898 Republican Convention in Raleigh, and he was cheered to the echo by the delegates to that convention. He was the lion of the occasion, and his speech was THE speech of the convention.

NEGROES SAY

WHITES OF THE CAROLINAS DESCENDED
FROM SLAVES AND FELONS.

A convention of negroes has just been held in Washington City to protest against the amendment to our Constitution and against lynching. They appointed a committee, which deliberated over the matter and reported to the convention, among other things the following, which we copied from the Washington Post:

"We are willing that our genealogy be compared with that of those white people whose ancestors were brought over from the prisons of England by shiploads and made slaves for a period, after which they were permitted to become citizens on equal footing with their former masters, from 1610 to 1625, in the Carolinas and Virginia. We only ask for the same generous treatment, since we have become free citizens, that was bestowed upon this class, WHO NOW COMPRISE THE GOVERNING ELEMENT OF THE SOUTH."

SPENCER BLACKBURN.

EXTRACT FROM HIS SPEECH AT NEWTON.

"Goebel was shot down at the steps of the capital because he was the arch perpetrator of this hellish scheme. It was no more than might have been expected." Then drawing himself up to his full height, he shouted: "North Carolina Democrats may take warning from the fate of William Goebel."

The Goebel referred to by Blackburn in the above harangue was the Democratic Governor-elect of Kentucky, who was foully murdered by the followers of Gov. Taylor, the Republican usurper of the office to which Goebel had been elected, because he dared to contest before the Legislature in the way provided by law the right of this usurper to the office of Governor.

Blackburn is very close to Republican Chairman Holton. Holton is United States District Attorney of the Western District and Blackburn is his assistant in this office. He is a *protege* of Senator Pritchard, and the above threat was delivered from the same platform from which Pritchard had just spoken.

SENATOR BUTLER

IN HIS SPEECH BEFORE THE POPULIST
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT ITS LATE
MEETING SAID:

"We have got to fight and we had as well make up our minds to do it.

"The Republicans are in this fight to the death. Let us join hands with them and help them whip this gang out of the State. Let us announce to the world that North Carolina will no longer be ruled by anarchists, red-shirts and a little gang of toadies—men who have betrayed everybody and everything.

"The Republicans are willing for us to take the lead, go ahead and hold a convention and name a ticket. They will help us elect it."

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